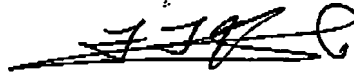


REMARKS

Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner.

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